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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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MILITARY TRAINING AREA
(38-16N 057-47E)
KEPYATA, TURKMENSKAYA SSR, USSR
TURKESTAN MD

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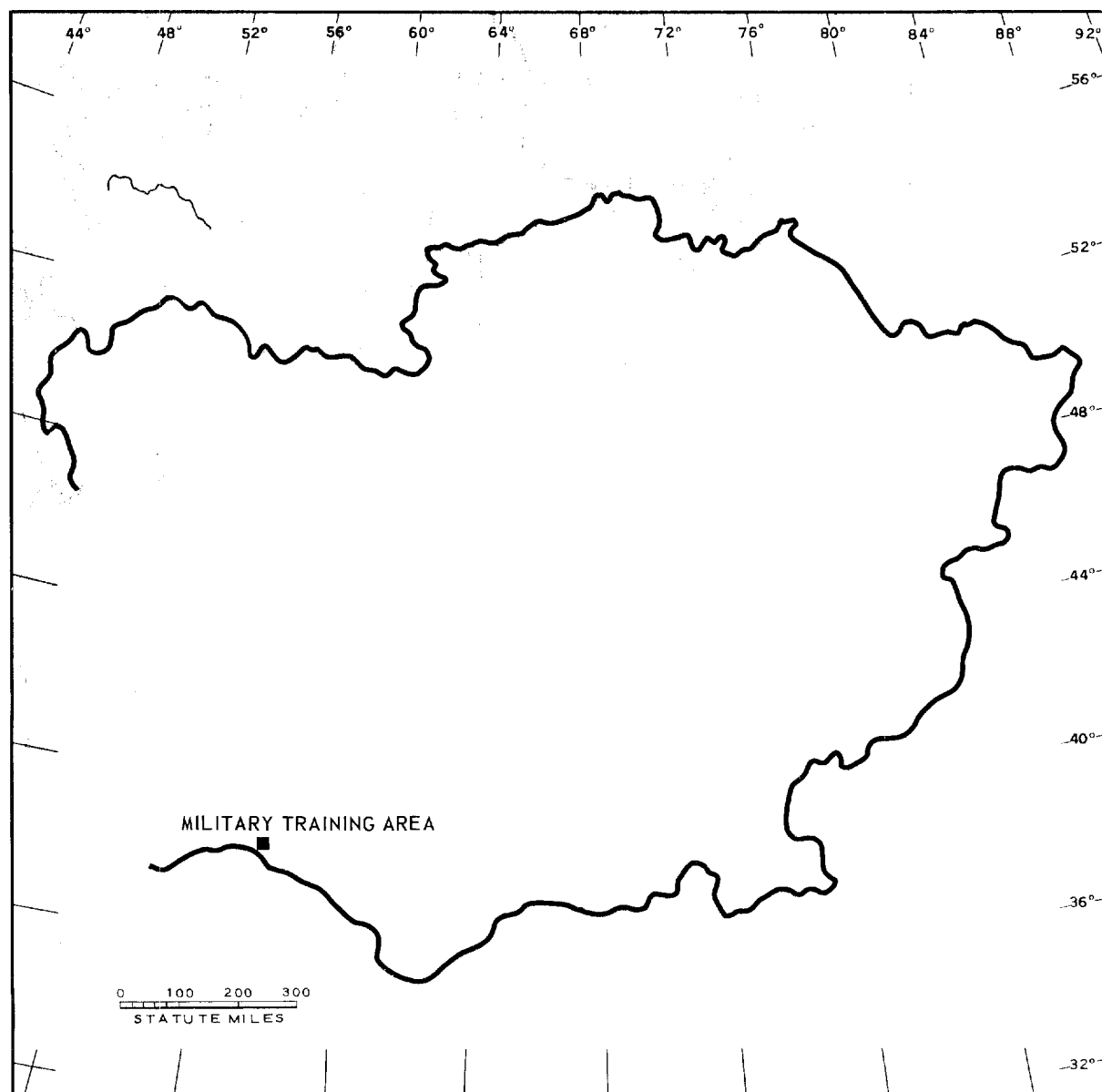


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF MILITARY TRAINING AREA

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FIGURE 2. MILITARY TRAINING AREA, KEPYATA, USSR, JULY 1964.

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SUMMARY

A training area is located approximately 9.5 kilometers (km) southeast of Kepyata and approximately 66 km northwest of Ashkhabad (Figure 1).

The installation consists of 2 major target ranges, 1 tank/assault-gun moving target range and 1 flat-trajectory range. A tent camp is adjacent to the ranges and a support area is approximately 4.5 km south of the firing ranges (Figure 2).

The support area contains 2 probable barracks, 1 T-shaped administration building, 2 probable ammunition storage buildings, 31 stor-

age/support buildings, a large tent camp with approximately 450 tent bases, and a large vehicle park. It also contains a 6-position possible SA-2 training site which appears to be unoccupied. This site is present only on Mission 1010-2.

The installation was covered on 6 KEYHOLE missions of interpretable quality between December 1960 and November 1964. Activity increased significantly between December 1960 and February 1962, and generally through November 1964.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

A single-track line to Ashkhabad is adjacent to the training area. One siding is evident.

Road Service

An all-weather dual-lane road provides access to Ashkhabad.

Administration and Troop Housing Areas

Area D1 contains 2 probable barracks, 1 T-shaped administration building, 25 storage/support buildings, and approximately 450 tent bases.

Area D2 contains a tent camp with an undetermined number of tent bases and 6 small storage/support buildings.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F contains two 50- by 30-foot, secured and isolated probable ammunition storage buildings.

Other Buildings

Several small support buildings are scattered throughout the area.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

Area J is a 1,500- by 500-foot vehicle park. Numerous unidentified vehicles are present on September 1964 coverage.

Driver-Training Area

Area M is a probable tracked-vehicle driver-training course.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Range

Area N is a 4,600- by 2,600-foot tank/assault-gun firing range with 3 lanes and 9 moving targets.

Flat-Trajectory Firing Range

Area P is a 5,200-foot flat-trajectory firing range with 2 moving and 10 possible static targets.

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Special Training Facilities

Area S is a possible SA-2 training area

located within Area J. It appears to be unoccupied.

REFERENCES

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MAPS OR CHARTS

US Air Target Chart, Series 200, Sheet 0338-14HIL, 2d ed, Apr 63 (SECRET)

REQUIREMENT

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